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MAP OF MERCER COUNTY

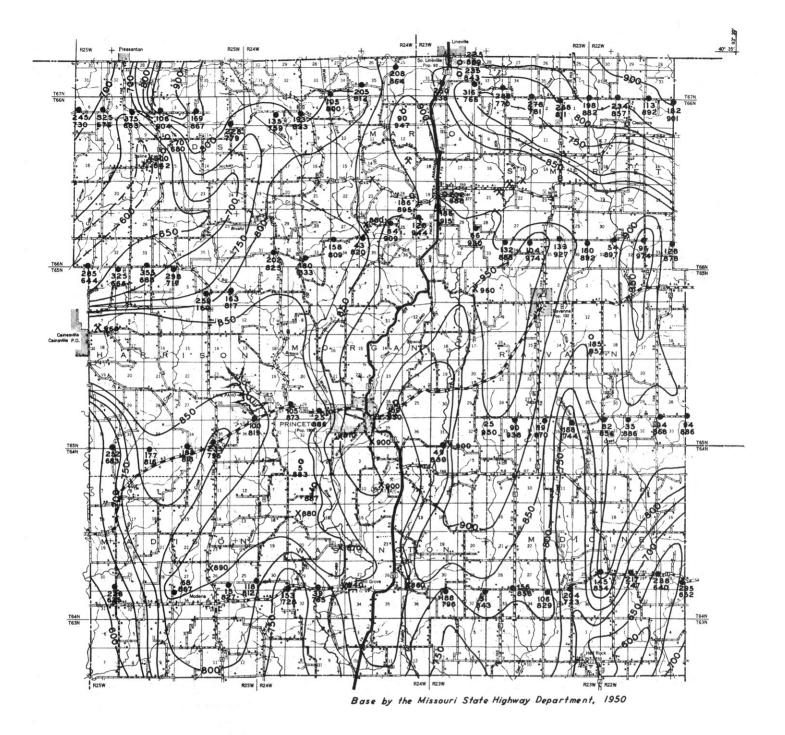
DRIFT FILLED VALLEY IN WHICH IRRIGATION WELLS POSSIBLY CAN BE DEVELOPED

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PLATE 2



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Test holes showing thickness in feet of drift and elevation of bedrock above sea level.

Water wells

Outcrops

父 Quarry

Contour interval 50 feet

CONTOUR MAP OF MERCER COUNTY SHOWING

## BEDROCK ELEVATIONS

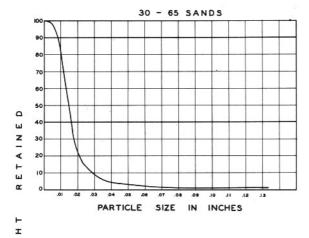
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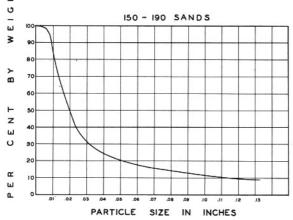
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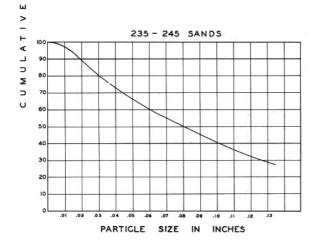
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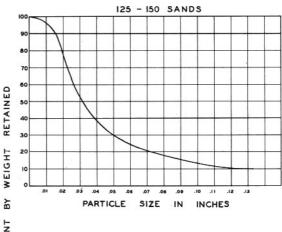
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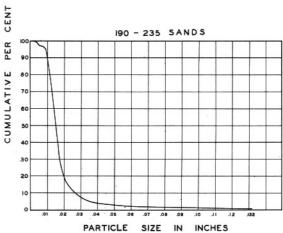
PLATE 3











## SIEVE ANALYSES OF SANDS

FOUND AT VARIOUS DEPTHS IN

TEST WELL №119

SW¼-NW¼- SEC.6, T 66 N. R25 W. MERCER CO., MISSOURI.

DALE FULLER, MAR. 1956.

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thousandths of an inch. These plotted points are then connected with a smooth curve. A sand analysis curve shows at a glance how much of the material is smaller or larger than a given particle size. For more complete consideration, the slope and shape of the curves determines the types of well development that should be used.

To attain high yields in sands and gravels requires careful sampling by the well driller. Then, a competent analysis of these samples is the guide to proper well development. Also, good sampling and sieve analyses are necessary to develop low yield (domestic type) wells in sands which are so fine that they require well screens and/or gravel pack treatment.

## SUMMARY

Results of the test drilling program in Mercer County show the following:

- (1) Approximately 22,000 acres of Mercer County are located within the area where irrigation wells possibly can be developed.
- (2) Nearly one-third of Mercer County lies in glacial drift areas where sufficient water supplies for domestic needs are available.

Questions concerning water problems for a specific location should be sent to the Missouri Geological Survey and Water Resources, Buehler Park Box 250, Rolla, Missouri 65401.